UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

In re: THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO, as representative of THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, et al., Debtors. ¹) PROMESA) Title III) Case No. 17-BK-3283-LTS) (Jointly Administered)
In re: THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO, as representative of PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY, Debtor.)))))))))))))))) (Case No. 17-BK-4780-LTS)) This Application relates only to PREPA, and shall be filed in the lead Case No. 17 -BK-3283-LTS and in PREPA's Title III Case (Case No. 17-BK-4780-LTS)))))

SUPPLEMENT TO VERIFIED STATEMENT OF NORTON ROSE FULBRIGHT US LLP DISCLOSING CONNECTIONS TO MATERIAL INTERESTED PARTIES RELATED TO THE PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO PUERTO RICO RECOVERY ACCURACY IN DISCLOSURE ACT; SUPPLEMENTAL CERTIFICATION OF LAWRENCE A. BAUER IN SUPPORT THEREOF

¹ The Debtors in these Title III Cases, along with each Debtor's respective Title III case number and the last four (4) digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, as applicable, are the (i) Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3283-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3481); (ii) Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation ("COFINA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3284-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 8474); (iii) Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority ("HTA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3567-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3808); (iv) Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("ERS") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3566-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 9686); (v) Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-4780-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3747); and (vi) Puerto Rico Public Buildings Authority ("PBA")(Bankruptcy Case No. 19-BK-5523-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3801) (Title III case numbers are listed as Bankruptcy Case numbers due to software limitations).

Pursuant to the Order Approving List of Material Interested Parties Pursuant to The Puerto Rico Recovery Accuracy In Disclosures Act [ECF No. 20467²] (the "Order") and the Puerto Rico Recovery Accuracy in Disclosures Act, Pub. L. No. 117-82 ("PRRADA"), Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP ("NRF"), in its capacity as special debt financing counsel for the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA"), hereby supplements (the "Supplement") its Verified Statement Disclosing Connections to Material Interested Parties Related to the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority Pursuant to Puerto Rico Recovery Accuracy in Disclosure Act, filed on June 30, 2022 [Dkt # 21395] (the "Original NRF Statement"), to provide additional information and otherwise respond to certain requests for information made to it by the Office of the U.S. Trustee for the District of Puerto Rico (the "UST").

BACKGROUND

1. On February 22, 2022, the Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico (the "Oversight Board"), as sole Title III representative of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (the "Commonwealth"), the Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation ("COFINA"), the Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority ("HTA"), the Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("ERS"), the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA"), and the Puerto Rico Public Buildings Authority ("PBA" and collectively with the Commonwealth, COFINA, HTA, ERS, and PREPA, the "Title III Debtors"), and pursuant to section 315(b) of the Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act ("PROMESA"), filed the Motion of Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico Requesting Order Approving Proposed List of Material Interested Parties Pursuant to the Puerto

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² All docket entry references herein are to entries in Case No. 17-3283, unless otherwise specified. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings given to them in the Motion (as hereinafter defined).

Rico Recovery Accuracy in Disclosures Act [ECF No. 20194] (the "Motion"), seeking Court approval of a list of material interested parties attached thereto as Exhibit "A" (the "Initial MIP List") pursuant to PRRADA.

- 2. On March 21, 2022, the Court entered its *Order Regarding Proposed List of Material Interested Parties Pursuant to the Puerto Rico Recovery Accuracy in Disclosure Act* [ECF No. 20419], directing the Oversight Board to file an amended MIP List.
- 3. On March 29, 2020, the Oversight Board filed the *Notice of Filing Amended List of Material Interested Parties Pursuant to Puerto Rico Recovery Accuracy in Disclosures Act* [ECF No. 20458], which attached a list of material interested parties with respect to all Title III Debtors as Exhibit A thereto (the "Amended MIP List").
- 4. On March 30, 2022, the Court entered an order approving the Amended MIP List and directed all professionals to file the disclosures required under PRRADA. On June 6, 2022, this Court entered an order granting NRF's motion to extend the deadline by which NRF may file a Verified Statement in compliance with PRRADA's requirements until June 30, 2022 [Dkt #21112]. On June 30, 2022, NRF, as special debt financing counsel for PREPA, filed the Original NRF Statement [Dkt #21395].

SUPPLEMENT

5. The UST has requested that NRF supplement the Original NRF Statement by providing certain additional information. Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is the Supplemental Certification of Lawrence A. Bauer in Support of Verified Statement of Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP Disclosing Connections to Material Interested Parties Related to the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority Pursuant to the Puerto Rico Recovery Accuracy in Disclosure Act, which NRF hereby respectfully submits to the Court in order to provide the information requested.

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Dated: August 12, 2022

In New York City, New York

/s/ Lawrence A. Bauer

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Exhibit A

Supplemental Certification of Lawrence A. Bauer

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SUPPLEMENTAL CERTIFICATION OF LAWRENCE A. BAUER IN SUPPORT OF SUPPLEMENT TO VERIFIED STATEMENT OF NORTON ROSE FULBRIGHT US LLP DISCLOSING CONNECTIONS TO MATERIAL INTERESTED PARTIES RELATED TO THE PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO PUERTO RICO RECOVERY ACCURACY IN DISCLOSURE ACT

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Lawrence A. Bauer hereby certifies as follows:

1. I am an attorney admitted to practice in the State of New York. I am a partner in the law firm of Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP ("NRF"), and am a resident in its New York office, located at 1301 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York, 10019. I make this certification in accordance with Rule 2014(a) of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Puerto Rico (the "Local Rules"). This Certification supplements the *Verified Statement of Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP Disclosing Connections to Material Interested Parties Related to the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority Pursuant to Puerto Rico Recovery Accuracy in Disclosure Act, filed on June 30, 2022 [Dkt # 21106 (the "Original NRF Statement")*, by providing additional information requested by the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Puerto Rico (the "UST").²

2. <u>Professional Services Agreement</u>: Attached hereto as Exhibit "1" is a true and complete copy of the firm's *Professional Services Agreement* for fiscal year 2023, commencing July 1, 2022 and continuing through and including June 30, 2023 (the "2022/23 Agreement"). At PREPA's request, I signed the 2022/23 Agreement and returned it to PREPA. I am waiting to receive notice from PREPA that the 2022/23 Agreement has been approved by the Federal Oversight and Management Board, executed by PREPA and filed with the Comptroller of Puerto Rico (a condition precedent, under Puerto Rico law, to the effectiveness of the 2022/23 Agreement).

² Capitalized terms used but otherwise not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Original NRF Statement.

- 3. <u>Firm Revenue</u>: As disclosed in the Original NRF Statement, NRF is a member of the Norton Rose Fulbright Verein, a Swiss Verein, whose members also include Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP, Norton Rose Fulbright Australia, Norton Rose Fulbright Canada LLP, and Norton Rose Fulbright South Africa (incorporated as Deneys Reitz, Inc.), each of which is a separate legal entity. NRF disclosed in the Original NRF Statement that none of the representations disclosed in the Original NRF Statement as connections comprises a material component of the Norton Rose Fulbright Verein. To the best of my knowledge and belief, there were no clients that accounted for greater than 2% of the revenue of the Norton Rose Verein during the years 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, or 2021.
- 4. Further Information re: NRF's Role in the PREPA Title III Proceeding and the Syncora "Connection": As special debt financing counsel to PREPA, NRF's role in PREPA's Title III case has been, and continues to be, very limited. NRF's representation originally involved the preparation of certain documentation needed in connection with the original Restructuring Support Agreement entered into by various parties (the "RSA"), and the various iterations of the RSA, under which PREPA's debt was to be restructured. NRF was not involved in the negotiation of the terms and conditions of the RSA—those negotiations were and continue to be handled by other counsel. Rather, NRF was employed to document what others had already negotiated in the RSA. The RSA has since been terminated. PREPA has employed new counsel to document any bond financing documents that may be needed by PREPA as a result of the restructuring of its debt. NRF has represented PREPA and expects to continue to represent PREPA in matters that are unrelated to the Title III proceedings, such as assisting PREPA in the preparation of its audited financial statements and various securities law public filings.

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- 5. I am informed and believe that NRF serves in a similarly limited capacity with respect to Syncora Guarantee, Inc. ("Syncora") in connection with its relationship with the beneficial owners of bonds which Syncora insures, including beneficial owners of PREPA bonds insured by Syncora, and advises Syncora with respect to its policy rights vis-à-vis those beneficial owners (the "insured PREPA bondholders"). I am further informed and believe that Syncora's owner is a member of the ad hoc group of beneficial owners of uninsured PREPA bonds in connection with the PREPA Title III case (the "Ad Hoc Group"). The Ad Hoc Group is represented by Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP, and it is my understanding that that firm has been and continues to be solely responsible for handling all negotiations regarding how and when members of the Ad Hoc Group will be repaid. NRF is also not involved in those negotiations. PREPA bonds that are either insured or beneficially owned by Syncora are reflected in the Ad Hoc Group's Rule 2019 statements.
- 6. If, however, an agreement is reached, NRF will assist Syncora solely in addressing and documenting the mechanics of how, as between Syncora and insured PREPA bondholders, any consideration that is approved by the Court on account of bonds insured by Syncora should be distributed (for example, via custodial trust for the insured PREPA bondholders). This is similar to the role that NRF played with respect to the recently confirmed Title III plan of adjustment of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, wherein NRF prepared and provided to the Oversight Board documentation governing the distribution options to be provided to holders of Syncora-insured bonds, which materials the Oversight Board then incorporated into the Commonwealth's plan of adjustment and plan supplement materials.
- 7. To the best of my knowledge, and as described above, at this time, I am not aware of any issues arising in connection with the matters for which NRF represents Syncora that would

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put PREPA and Syncora in an adverse relationship with respect to such matters. In an abundance of caution, NRF has put in place an ethical wall that will prevent any individuals at NRF involved in the representation of Syncora from accessing documents or information concerning NRF's representation of PREPA in the above-referenced Title III cases and its other representation of PREPA. I have also confirmed directly with the attorney primarily responsible for the representation of Syncora described above that he has not reviewed, or otherwise accessed, documents, emails or other information related to NRF's representation of PREPA in the PREPA Title III case and its other representation of PREPA on NRF's internal document management system.

- 8. Other "Connections": In Paragraph 13(c) of the Original NRF Statement, NRF disclosed that two of its attorneys have children that worked or will work for Berkeley Research Group, LLC and Ankura Consulting Group, and that a partner at NRF has engaged The Brattle Group, Inc. as an expert witness. At the request of the UST, NRF has created an ethical wall that will prevent these attorneys from accessing documents or information concerning NRF's representing of PREPA in the Title III case and its other representation of PREPA. Additionally, NRF has confirmed directly with the attorneys referenced in Paragraph 13(c) that, prior to the filing of this Supplement, they have not reviewed, or otherwise accessed, documents, emails or other information related to NRF's representation of PREPA in the PREPA Title III case and its other representation of PREPA on NRF's internal document management system.
- 9. <u>Bond Ownership</u>: In the Original NRF Statement, the firm disclosed that NRF Partner, Eric Tashman, holds bonds issued by certain of the above-referenced debtors. The UST has requested that NRF disclose the nature of the bonds Mr. Tashman holds. I am informed and believe that the bonds held by Mr. Tashman are as follows: approximately \$4,000 in face value

of Puerto Rico Commonwealth General Obligation Bonds-Series A; \$25,000 in face value of Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority Power Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series UU; and \$5,000 in face value of Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority Power Revenue Bonds, Series RR.

I verify, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief.

/s/ Lawrence A. Bauer Lawrence A. Bauer Exhibit "1"

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on this same date, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notifications of such filing to all CM/ECF participants in this case.

/s/ Katiuska Bolaños Lugo Katiuska Bolaños Lugo

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GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT

APPEARAPPEAR
AS FIRST PARTY: The Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA), a public
corporation and government instrumentality of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico,
created by Act No. 83 of May 2, 1941, as amended (Act 83), represented in this act by its
Executive Director, Efran Paredes Maisonet, of legal age, married, and resident of
Bayamón, Puerto Rico
AS SECOND PARTY: Norton Rose Fulbright US, LLP (Consultant), a limited liability
partnership organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas, United States of
America and registered to do business in Puerto Rico, represented in this act by its
Partner, Lawrence A. Bauer, of legal age, married, and resident of Summit, New Jersey,
whose authority of representation is evidenced by
Both PREPA and Consultant are herein individually referred to as a Party and collectively
referred to as the Parties
WITNESSETH
WHEREAS, PREPA, by virtue of Act. 83 has the authority to engage those professional,
technical and consulting services necessary and convenient to the activities, programs
and operations of PREPA;
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements
contained in this Contract, hereinafter stated, the Parties, agree themselves, their
personal representatives, and successors to enter into this Professional Services
Contract (Contract) under the following:



Prof Pag		onal Services Contract – Norton Rose Fulbright US, LLP
		TERMS AND CONDITIONS
Arti	cle 1	. Scope of Services
1.1	The	e Consultant will counsel in the matters relating to PREPA's financing activities,
such	as:	
	a)	Matters related to federal securities law and tax matters and the judicial
		determination of the validity (in Puerto Rico or federal court) of any one or more
		of such financings;
	b)	Matters related to any restructuring of PREPA's outstanding obligations to its
		various stakeholders;
	c)	Matters related to any loan guarantees to be provided by the Government of the
		United States, and any such other legal matters as may be requested by
		PREPA, its subsidiaries or affiliates;
	d)	Legal representation to the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority Revitalization
		Corporation (CRAEE) relating to its issuance from time to time of securitization
		bonds authorized by Act 4-2016, as amended;
1.2	The	e Consultant also will:
	a)	Negotiate restructuring resolutions authorizing such bonds, trust agreement or
		agreements securing such bonds, a servicing agreement or agreements, a
		calculation agent agreement or agreements, a depository agreement or
		agreements and the other documents relating to the issuance of the

securitization bonds and giving the required legal opinions; ------

- b) Assist the CRAEE and PREPA's advisors with the preparation of witnesses (including preparation of the applicable testimony and the Energy Bureau of Puerto Rico order) relating to any additional required approvals by the Energy Bureau of Puerto Rico; ------

- e) Assist in any rating of the securitization bonds, including the drafting of applicable legal opinions required by the rating agencies and other professionals involved and customary for a utility securitization and all related tax and securities law matters; and -------
- f) Assist in the preparation of any ruling requests, and/or negotiating any closing agreements, with the Internal Revenue Service, as may be necessary, and delivering necessary opinions, relating to the tax status of any bonds issued by the CRAEE or any other related entity, including PREPA.

Article 2. Services Coordination

All the Services of Consultant in relation to the terms and conditions of this Contract will be coordinated through PREPA's Finance Director or the person or persons delegated by said Director.

Article 3. Contract Assignment or Subcontract

The Consultant shall not assign nor subcontract its rights and obligations under this Contract, except in the event PREPA gives written authorization for such actions, and no subcontract shall be considered for PREPA's approval, except when the following requirements are met: (1) the Consultant delivers to PREPA a copy of the subcontract, not less than thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the proposed subcontract; (2) the subcontract includes, as a condition for its legal validity and enforceability, a provision whereby PREPA has the right to substitute, subregate or assume Consultant's rights under the subcontract, in the event that PREPA declares the Consultant in breach or default of any of the terms and conditions of this Contract; and (3) the subcontract includes, as a condition for its validity and enforceability, a provision establishing for the



subcontractor the obligation to comply with all Consultant's obligations under this Contract (mirror image clause), except for such obligations, terms and conditions which exclusively relate to works or services not included under the subcontract. A request to subcontract shall specify the issues or matters that will be referred to the subcontractor. These services shall be paid as part of the Contract Amount, as stated in Article 6, Payment. ---

Article 4. Contract Term

This Contract shall be in effect from the date of its execution until June 30, 2023 (the Contract Period). -----

Article 5. Contract Termination

- 5.1 Either party shall have the right to terminate this Contract, at any time, by providing the other party thirty (30) days' prior written notice by registered mail, return receipt requested, or overnight express mail or other reputable courier service. If notice is given, this Contract shall terminate upon the expiration of thirty (30) days, and PREPA shall be obligated to pay all fees and expenses incurred up to the day of effective termination, in accordance with the terms of this Contract.

The Consultant acknowledges that all his responsibilities and obligations under the Contract, such as work to be performed and services to be provided, etc., will continue in full force and effect until the expiration of the thirty (30) day period.

Article 6. Payment

6.1 In accordance with the terms and conditions contained herein, PREPA agrees and Consultant accepts that the total amount to be paid under the Contract shall not exceed a cumulative amount of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), including reimbursable expenses (the "Contract Amount"). All payments to be made under this Contract will be charged to account 01-4019-92303-556-673. PREPA will only pay for Services already rendered before the submitted invoice date. PREPA will not be required to make advance payments for any future service to be rendered by Consultant under this Contract.

- 6.2 Nothing herein shall preclude the Parties from agreeing to increase said amount in writing and signed by both Parties. ------
- 6.3 PREPA will pay for the Services rendered by Consultant according to following:

Name	Title	Hourly Rate
Lawrence A. Bauer	Partner	\$930
Bob Bruner	Partner	\$975
Peter Canzano	Partner	\$910
Kelly Charles	Senior Paralegal	\$385
Patrick Dolan	Partner	\$1,210
Clifford Gerber	Partner	\$1,000
Toby Gerber	Partner	\$1,410
Julie Goodrich	Senior Associate	\$805
Matthew Hughey	Partner	\$930
Mary Kimura	Partner	\$825
Anna Lee	Partner	\$985



Sylvia Lee	Research Assistant	\$460
James McGettrick	Of Counsel	\$765
Thomas Morgan	Senior Paralegal	\$420
Steve A. Peirce	Senior Counsel	\$920
Uyen Poh	Partner	\$935
Mallary Preston	Associate	\$605
Homer Schaaf	Of Counsel	\$860
Eric Tashman	Partner	\$1,085
Judy Vélez	Practice Assistant	\$120
Stephen J. Watson	Partner	\$1,095
Fredric A. Weber	Of Counsel	\$1,065
Rebecca Winthrop	Partner	\$780
Patti T. Wu	Senior Counsel	\$905

6.4 Should the Consultant assign another person to attend to PREPA's matters pursuant to this Contract, the Consultant shall promptly send PREPA an amended schedule to include such person's name, position and rate, and request approval from PREPA.

Article 7. Fees, Expenses and Disbursements

7.1 Consultant shall not bill PREPA for (a) time spent in processing conflict searches, preparing billing statements, or in responding to PREPA inquiries concerning Consultant's invoices; or (b) travel time unless such time is spent providing any of the

Services to PREPA or to the Corporation under this Contract. Consultant shall not bill PREPA for the administrative tasks of creating, organizing, reviewing and/or updating files; routine or periodic status reports; receiving, reviewing, and/or distributing mail; faxing or copying documents; checking electronic mail or converting information to disk.

- 7.3 PREPA will not reimburse Consultant for: (a) costs included in a 'miscellaneous' or 'other' category of charges; (b) overhead costs and expenses-such as those relating to fees for time or overtime expended by support staff (secretaries, administrative/clerical personnel, internal messengers, and other similar services), word processing and/or proofreading, cost of supplies or equipment, and/or other similar costs of doing business; (f) time spent attending education seminars or training programs; or (h) mark-ups or surcharges on any cost or expense. In addition, if communications are sent to PREPA using more than one medium, PREPA will not expect to pay for the cost of both communications. For instance, if a piece of correspondence is sent to PREPA by email, PREPA will not pay for the cost of that same correspondence if it is also sent via regular or expedited mail

unless it is necessary by law or otherwise for PREPA to receive an original of such correspondence or any enclosure therein.

- 7.4 PREPA will reimburse Consultant for separately itemized expenses and disbursements in the following categories:

7.4.2 Travel – All travel expenses shall be approved in writing and in advance by

PREPA. PREPA will reimburse actual charges for transportation and hotels reasonable and necessary for effective services to PREPA. PREPA will not pay for any first-class or business-class travel. If a scheduled trip is cancelled by PREPA, PREPA will reimburse Consultant for any penalty fees and forfeited airfare. Summaries of transportation expenses should reflect the identity of the user, the date and amount of each specific cost, and the

points of travel. Summaries of lodging and meals expenses should include

the identity of the person making the expenditure, the date and amount, and

the nature of the expenditure. Meals will be reimbursed only upon

PREPA reimburse Consultant for the cost of any alcoholic beverages. ----
Travel expenses reimbursement applies for personnel providing the Services to PREPA, travel expenses for family members or guests are not chargeable to PREPA or reimbursable. ------

7.4.3 The cost of air travel will be reimbursed up to an amount that is no more than the advance purchase of the lowest available economy airfare (including applicable fees and taxes). The Consultant shall submit a copy of the original airline ticket or paid travel agency invoice. Airfare may only be invoiced following completion of travel. In the event of a scheduled trip has to be cancelled by PREPA's order, PREPA will assume the cost of the penalty fee. Baggage fees will be reimbursed. Evidence of incurred costs shall be submitted by the Consultant. Excess baggage fees will not be reimbursed.

Airfare necessary to attend PREPA's official business will be paid by PREPA according to these guidelines. The Consultant shall buy an economic class ticket or equivalent, then if desired, he/she may upgrade, but PREPA will only pay the amount corresponding to the economy class or equivalent airfare.

7.4.4 Maximum Per Diem Rates (no proof of payment will be required): -----

Meals: - \$57 per person for each traveling day. -----

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- 7.4.5 Reimbursable expenses shall not exceed six percent (6%) of the Contract

 Price in one year and will be reimbursed by PREPA through the presentation

 of acceptable evidence for such expenses. -------
- 7.4.6 Photocopying/printing PREPA will reimburse actual charges for outside binding, and printing services and costs of outside photocopying services, which are not to exceed the five (5) cents per page for black and white copies, and twenty-five (25) cents per page for color copies. Summaries of expenditures for copying should reflect both the number of copies made and the cost per copy.
- 7.4.7 Third-Party Services The approval of PREPA must be obtained in writing prior to retaining any third-party services. The Consultant shall use reasonable efforts for ensuring that there are no conflicts of interest between

7.4.8 PREPA reserves the right to question the charges on any bill (even after payment) and to obtain a discount or refund of those charges that are disputed. At PREPA's request, copies of bills and records reflecting reimbursable expenses must be provided to PREPA.

Article 8. Invoices

- 8.1 Consultant shall submit its invoices on a monthly basis for the work performed during the preceding month. Consultant will provide to PREPA an invoice for each billing period, which invoice must include a description of the services rendered and the number of hours spent by each person and clearly identify the Services performed for PREPA and for the Corporation. The invoice for professional services shall be itemized and must be duly certified by an authorized representative of the Consultant.
- 8.2 PREPA will review the invoices upon receipt, and if they are in compliance with the requirements set forth in this Contract, it will proceed with payment. Payment is due within sixty (60) days of receipt of the invoice. PREPA reserves the right to conduct

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"We certify under penalty of nullity that no public servant of Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA) will derive or obtain any benefit or profit of any kind from the contractual relationship which is the basis of this invoice. If such benefit or profit exists, the required waiver has been obtained prior to entering into the Contract. The only consideration to be received in exchange for the performance of the Services provided is the agreed-upon price that has been negotiated with an authorized representative of the PREPA. The total amount shown on this invoice is true and correct. The Services have been rendered, and no payment has been received".

Consultant's Signature

This is an essential requirement, and those invoices without this Certification will not be processed for payment. In order to comply with the certification requirements set forth above, Consultant shall require that subcontractors, if any approved by PREPA, providing Services also make the certification set forth above in any invoices submitted in connection with the Services.

Article 9. Transfer of Funds

9.1 If Consultant decides to assign or transfer an amount, due or payable, to which he is entitled for services rendered or goods provided during the term of this Contract, Consultant shall notify PREPA of such transfer of funds, in accordance to the provisions of Act 21-2012, as amended. Said notice shall clearly indicate the rights granted, including a copy of the contract under which the assignment or transfer of funds is made, the exact amount of funds to be assigned or transferred, and specific

identification information regarding the assignee (full name of the person or company), address and any other contact information. -----

9.2 Consultant acknowledges and agrees that PREPA may deduct from any amount due or payable under this Contract, amounts that Consultant owes to PREPA; PREPA may retain any said amount if Consultant fails to fulfill its obligations and responsibilities under this Contract, or a claim arises for warranty or defects regarding the services rendered or goods provided under this Contract. Consultant also acknowledges and agrees that PREPA's payment obligation under any assignment of funds will cease upon payment of the outstanding amounts under this Contract. PREPA shall not be required to make payments or transfer any funds for an amount that exceeds the payment to which Consultant is entitled to under this

2.13.

Article 10. Information and Material Facts

10.1 PREPA shall promptly provide to Consultant all information under its control and necessary for Consultant to perform the Services under this Contract and those material facts that Consultant may reasonably require in order to provide its Services to PREPA. PREPA will ensure, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the documents, data, and other information and material facts provided to Consultant, which are under its control, are true and complete, and do not constitute misleading

or inaccurate information. Consultant shall be entitled to rely on the accuracy and completeness of the documents, data, and other information and material facts provided to it by PREPA or others acting under PREPA's direction. ------

Article 11. Information Disclosure and Confidentiality

- 11.1 The Parties shall take all reasonable steps to keep confidential and use only for the purposes contemplated by the terms of this Contract the information provided by PREPA (or anyone at PREPA's direction) and/or Consultant, and take all reasonable steps to ensure that such information is not disclosed or distributed by its employees or agents in violation of the terms of this Contract.
- 11.3 The term "confidential information" shall include, but not be limited to, all information provided to Consultant by PREPA or at PREPA's direction regarding its facilities or

operations or the Services to be provided hereunder and any and all information gathered or developed by Consultant regarding the same. The Parties further agree that proprietary records and documents related to Consultant's business operations are confidential to Consultant and will not be disclosed to PREPA or other Parties, except as may be judicially ordered. The Parties agree that PREPA will resist any attempt by opposing counsel or other persons to obtain Consultant's proprietary information. The term "confidential information", however, will not include information that:

- (i) is or becomes public other than through a breach of this Contract;
- (ii) is known to the receiving Party prior to the date of this Contract and with respect to which the receiving Party does not have any obligation of confidentiality;
- (iii) becomes known to the receiving Party through disclosure by sources other than the receiving Party having the legal right to disclose such information; or
- (iv) is independently developed by the receiving Party without use of, reliance upon or reference to, confidential information.

11.5 Consultant shall maintain in strictest confidence both during the term of this Contract and subsequent to termination of this Contract, and shall not during the term of this Contract or thereafter disclose or divulge to any person, firm, or corporation, or use directly or indirectly, for its own benefit or the benefit of others, any information which in good faith and good conscience ought to be treated as confidential information including, without limitation, information relating to PREPA's operations or trade secrets relating to the business or affairs of PREPA which Consultant may acquire or develop in connection with or as a result of the performance of the Services hereunder. In the event of an actual or threatened breach by Consultant of the provisions of this paragraph, PREPA shall be entitled to injunctive relief for such breach. Nothing herein shall be construed as prohibiting PREPA from pursuing any other legal remedies available, including the recovery of damages from Consultant.

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11.7 With respect to this Contract and any information supplied in connection with this Contract and designated by the disclosing Party as confidential, the recipient agrees to: (i) protect the confidential information in a reasonable and appropriate manner and in accordance with applicable professional standards; (ii) use confidential information only to perform its obligations under this Contract; and (iii) reproduce confidential information only as required to perform its obligations under this Contract.-----Consultant may divulge confidential information to its employees who need to know such information to fulfill the purposes of this Contract, provided that such persons (i) shall have been advised of the confidential nature of such information and Consultant shall direct them, and they shall agree, to treat such information as confidential and to return all materials to Consultant upon request but for one copy for record purposes only; and (ii) in each case, such person is bound by obligations of confidentiality and non-use consistent with and at least as stringent as those set forth in this Contract.-----In connection with the Services rendered under this Contract, Consultant will furnish PREPA and/or the Corporation any necessary reports, analyses or other such materials that exist as of the date requested, as PREPA may reasonably request. Consultant shall not invoice the time spent to gather and deliver such information. PREPA, however, acknowledges that Consultant may develop for itself, or for others, problem solving approaches, frameworks or other tools and processes developed in performing the services and any additional services provided

hereunder, and nothing contained herein precludes Consultant from developing or disclosing such materials and information provided that the same do not contain or reflect confidential information.

Consultant shall return to PREPA all confidential information, as well as any other document that may relate to its work under this Contract, within thirty (30) days after date of the expiration or earlier termination of this Contract or destroy such information, certifying that all the information has been returned to PREPA or destroyed, but for electronic information held in archive and/or backup files to the extent such files cannot be deleted without unreasonable effort or expense and created in the ordinary course pursuant to established data backup/archive procedures; provided, however, that Consultant may retain its own work product as long as it maintains the confidentiality of PREPA's information as otherwise provided in this Contract. This Article shall survive the termination, expiration or completion of this Contract.

Article 12. Rights and Titles

12.2 All rights, titles and interest in any reports, documents, analyses, investigations and any other by-product conceived or developed by the Consultant exclusively for PREPA as a result of performing its obligations under this Contract shall be the exclusive property of PREPA. The Consultant shall retain all right, title, and interest in and to proprietary works of authorship, pre-existing or otherwise, that have not been created specifically for PREPA under this Contract. With the exception of items marked as "CONFIDENTIAL" by the Consultant, PREPA shall retain the right to use, refer, share, or provide to any third party, as PREPA may determine, the results of any reports, documents, analyses, investigations or any other by-product of the Services performed by the Consultant under this Contract.

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Article 13. Copyright

Consultant and PREPA shall jointly defend any suit or action brought against either party based on a claim that any document, report, study, analysis, copyrighted composition, article or any by-product of those, either used in the performance of the Services by Consultant or provided to PREPA by Consultant as part of its Services, or used in the performance of this Contract, including their use by PREPA, constitutes an infringement of any patents or copyrights of the United States. The Party of this Contract subject to the claim or that becomes aware of a potential claim shall promptly notify in writing the other Party of this Contract, and give the authority, information, and assistance reasonable and necessary for the defense of such claim.

Article 14. Warranty

Consultant warrants that it shall perform the Services in accordance with the applicable

standards of care and diligence established by the Rules of Professional Conduct that regulate its profession at the time of performance of the Services, and which are normally practiced and recognized in performing services of a similar nature (the "Standard"). -----

Article 15. Responsibility for Damages

The appearing Parties agree that their responsibilities for damages under this Contract will be governed by the Puerto Rico Civil Code and its case law, as dictated by the Supreme Court of Puerto Rico.

Article 16. Independent Contractor

- 16.1 Consultant shall be considered as an independent contractor, for all material purposes under this Contract, and all persons engaged or contracted by Consultant for the performance of its obligations herein, shall be considered as its employees or agents, and not as employees or agents of PREPA.
- 16.2 As an independent contractor, Consultant shall not be entitled to any fringe benefits, such as, but not limited to vacation, sick leave, and to which PREPA's employees are entitled. -----

Article 17. Employees not to Benefit

No officer, employee or agent of PREPA or the Corporation, nor of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or its Municipal Governments shall be admitted to any share or part of this Contract or to any benefit that may arise therefrom.

Article 18. Conflict of Interest

18.1 Consultant certifies that none of its representatives under this Contract receive payment or compensation of any nature, for the services regularly rendered under

this Contract through an appointment in another government agency, body, public corporation or municipality of Puerto Rico. Consultant also certifies that it may have other professional services contracts with other Puerto Rico government agencies, bodies, public corporations or municipalities, but such contracts do not constitute a conflict of interest for Consultant hereunder.

Consultant acknowledges that in performing its Services pursuant to this Contract it has a duty of complete loyalty towards PREPA, which includes not having conflict of interest. "Conflict of Interest" means representing clients who have or may have interests that are contrary to PREPA but does not include rendering to another client services in matters that are unrelated to the Services covered in this Contract. Also, Consultant shall have the continuous obligation to disclose to PREPA all information and circumstances of its relations with clients and third persons that would result in a conflict of interest which would influence the Consultant when performing its responsibilities under this Contract.

18.3 Consultant certifies that, at the time of the execution of this Contract, it does not have a conflict of interest with PREPA and that it does not maintain any claim, judicial or otherwise, against the Government of Puerto Rico, its agencies or instrumentalities. Also, Consultant certifies that, to the best of its knowledge, at the time of the execution of this Contract, none of its clients have a conflict of interests with PREPA, nor any of Consultant's other contractual relationships represent a conflict of interests with PREPA. If such conflicting interests arise after the execution of this Contract, Consultant shall, to the extent consistent with its

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obligations to other clients, promptly notify PREPA. If Consultant determines it does represent anyone who has adverse interests that are in conflict with PREPA. Consultant shall notify PREPA and take commercially reasonable measures to safeguard PREPA's interests and ensure its Confidential Information remains confidential. Any employee of Consultant representing anyone with adverse interests to PREPA shall be restricted in accessing any and all information regarding PREPA, and Consultant shall take measures to ensure the proper procedures are in place to protect PREPA's interests. -----The Parties understand and agree that a conflict of interest exists when Consultant must advocate a position or outcome on behalf of any existing or future client that is contrary to PREPA's interests in a situation where PREPA is a party or is known by the Consultant to be a potential future party to the particular matter. Also, any conduct defined in the Standard regarding conflict of interests shall apply to Consultant and its personnel. -----In the event that any personnel of Consultant engaged in providing Services under this Contract should act in violation of the provisions of this Article, the provisions of Article 18.6 shall apply. -----Consultant's partners, agents or employees and personnel shall avoid even the appearance of the existence of conflicting interests. -----18.6 Consultant acknowledges that PREPA's Executive Director shall have the power to oversee the acts of Consultant and/or its agents, employees, and subcontractors regarding the enforcement of the prohibitions contained herein. In the event that

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the existence of adverse interests is discovered, the PREPA's Executive Director

shall inform Consultant in writing of PREPA's intention to terminate this Contract

within a thirty (30) day period. During said period, Consultant may request a

hearing with the Executive Director to present its arguments regarding the alleged

conflict of interest. In the event that Consultant does not request such hearing

during the specified thirty (30) day period or the controversy is not satisfactory

settled during the hearing, PREPA has the right to terminate this Contract. -----

18.7 The Consultant certifies that, at the time of the execution of this Contract, it does

not have nor does it represents anyone who has a conflict of interest with PREPA.

If such conflict of interest arises after the execution of this Contract, the Consultant

shall notify PREPA immediately, subject, if applicable to duties of confidentiality to

others. -----

Article 19. Notices

All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed

given when delivered personally or sent by telecopy, or postage prepaid, by registered,

certified or express mail (return receipt requested) or reputable overnight courier service

and shall be deemed given when so delivered by hand, or telecopied, or if mailed, three

days after mailing (one business day in the case of express mail or similar overnight

courier service) to the Parties to the following addresses:-----

To PREPA:

Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority

PO Box 364267

San Juan, Puerto Rico 00936-4267

Attention:

Josué A. Colón Ortiz

Executive Director

To Consultant:

Norton Rose Fulbright US, LLP

1301 Sixth Avenue New York, NY 10019

Attention:

Lawrence A. Bauer

Partner

Article 20. Applicable Law and Venue

This Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Also, the Parties expressly agree that only the State Court of Puerto Rico or the Federal Court for the District of Puerto Rico if applicable, will be the courts of competent and exclusive jurisdiction to decide over the judicial controversies that the appearing Parties may have among them regarding the terms and conditions of this Contract.

Article 21. Change in Law

During the term of this Contract, any change in law, including, but not limited to changes in applicable tax law, which cause an increase in Consultant's costs when providing the services, shall be Consultant's responsibility, and PREPA shall not be obligated to increase the Contract Amount.

Article 22. Force Majeure

22.1 The Parties shall be excused from performing their respective responsibilities and obligations under this Contract and shall not be liable in damages or otherwise, if and only to the extent that they are unable to perform or are prevented from performing by a force majeure event.

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- 22.2 For purposes of this Contract, force majeure means any cause without the fault or negligence, and beyond the reasonable control of, the Party claiming the occurrence of a force majeure event.

Article 23. Novation

- 23.1 The Parties expressly agree that no amendment or change order, which could be made to this Contract during its term, shall be understood as a contractual novation, unless both Parties agree to the contrary, specifically and in writing. ----
- 23.2 The previous provision shall be equally applicable in such other cases where PREPA gives Consultant a time extension for the compliance of any of its obligations under this Contract, or where PREPA dispenses the claim or demand of any of its credits or rights under this Contract.

Article 24. Severability

If a court of competent jurisdiction declares null and void or invalid any provision of this Contract, such declaration will not affect the validity and effectiveness of the remaining provisions of this Contract, and the Parties agree to comply with their respective obligations under such provisions not included in such declaration.------

Article 25. Save and Hold Harmless

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Article 26. Insurance

The Consultant shall secure and maintain in full force and effect during the life of this Contract as provided herein, policies of insurance covering all operations engaged in this Contract as follows:

Professional Liability Insurance:

The Consultant shall provide a Professional Liability Insurance with limits of \$1,000,000 per claim and \$1,000,000 aggregate.

Furnishing of Policies:

All required policies of insurance shall be in a form acceptable to PREPA and shall be issued only by insurance companies authorized to do business in Puerto Rico. ----
The Consultant shall furnish a certificate of insurance in original signed by an authorized representative of the insurer in Puerto Rico, describing the coverage afforded. ------

Article 27. Compliance with the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Contracting Requirements

A. The Contractor will comply with all applicable laws, regulations and executive orders that regulate the contracting process and requirements of the Government of Puerto Rico, including Act 73-2019, as amended, known as the "2019 General Services Administration Act for the Centralization of Purchases of the Government of Puerto Rico" (Act 73-2019). In compliance with the provisions of Act 73-2019, the Contractor has provided PREPA the Certification of Eligibility of the Unique Registry of Professional Services Providers (known in Spanish as "Certificado de Elegibilidad del Registro Único de Proveedores de Servicios Profesionales", and hereinafter referred to as the "RUP Certification"), issued by the General Services Administration.



- B. Special Contribution for Professional and Consulting Services: As required by Act 48-2013, as amended, PREPA will withhold a special contribution of one point five percent (1.5%) of the gross amounts paid under this Contract.
- C. Social Security and Income Tax Retentions: In compliance with Executive Order 1991 OE- 24; and C.F.R. Part 404 et. Seq., the Contractor will be responsible for rendering and paying the Federal Social Security and Income Tax Contributions for any amount owed as a result of the income, from this Contract. ------
- D. Income Tax Retention Law: PREPA shall deduct and withhold ten percent (10%) of any and all payments to residents of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as required by the Internal Revenue Code of Puerto Rico. In case of US citizens and non-US citizens, which are nonresidents of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the PREPA will retain twenty percent (20%) and twenty-nine percent (29%) respectively. PREPA will remit such withholdings to the Government of Puerto Rico's

- M. Dispensation: Any and all necessary dispensations have been obtained from any government entity and that said dispensations shall become part of the contracting record.-----
- N. Rules of Professional Ethics: The Contractor acknowledges and accepts that it is knowledgeable of the rules of ethics of his/her profession and assumes responsibility for his/her own actions.-----
- O. Provisions Required under Act 14-2004: The Contractor agrees that articles extracted, produced, assembled, packaged or distributed in Puerto Rico by enterprises with operations in Puerto Rico, or distributed by agents established in Puerto Rico shall be used when the service is rendered, provided that they are available.

Consequences of Non-Compliance: The Contractor expressly agrees that the conditions outlined throughout this Article are essential requirements of this Contract. Consequently, should any one of these representations, warranties or certifications be incorrect, inaccurate or misleading, in whole or in part, there shall be sufficient cause for the PREPA to render this Contract null and void, and the Contractor shall reimburse the PREPA all moneys received under this Contract.

Article 28. Financial Oversight and Management Board Certification

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Article 29. Anti-Corruption Code for a New Puerto Rico

Consultant agrees to comply with the provisions of Act 2-2018, as the same may be amended from time to time, which establishes the Anti-Corruption Code for a New Puerto Rico. The Consultant hereby certifies that it does not represent particular interests in cases or matters that imply a conflicts of interest, or of public policy, between the executive agency and the particular interests it represents.-----Consultant shall furnish to the General Services Administration a sworn statement to the effect that neither Consultant nor any president, vice president, executive director or any member of a board of officials or board of directors, or any person performing equivalent functions for Consultant has been convicted of or has pled guilty to any of the crimes listed in Article 6.8 of Act 8-2017, as amended, known as the Act for the Administration and Transformation of Human Resources in the Government of Puerto Rico (Act 8-2017) or any of the crimes included in Act 2-2018.----Consultant hereby certifies that it has not been convicted in Puerto Rico or United States Federal court for under Articles 4.2, 4.3 or 5.7 of Act 1-2012, as amended, known as the Organic Act of the Office of Government Ethics of Puerto Rico, any of the crimes listed in Articles 250 through 266 of Act 146-2012, as amended, known as the Puerto Rico Penal Code, any of the crimes typified in Act 2-2018, as amended, known as the Anti-Corruption Code for a New Puerto Rico or any other felony that involves misuse of public funds or property, including but not limited to the crimes mentioned in Article 6.8 of Act 8-2017. PREPA shall have the right to terminate the Contract in the event Consultant is convicted

Article 30. Non-Discrimination

The Consultant agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment on account of race, color, gender, age, sex, national or social origin, social status, political ideas or affiliation, religion, for being or perceived to be a victim of domestic violence, sexual aggression or harassment, regardless of marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or immigrant status, for physical or mental disability, for veteran status or genetic information.

Article 31. Transfer of skills and technical knowledge

For this Contract, the transfer of skills and technical knowledge required by the Certified Fiscal Plan is inapplicable given the non-recurring or specialized nature of the contracted services.

Article 32. Entire Contract

The terms and conditions contained herein constitute the entire agreement between PREPA and Consultant with respect to the subject matter of this Contract, and supersede all communications, negotiations, and agreements of the Parties, whether written or oral, other than these, made prior to the signing of this Contract.

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